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In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2000, Applicants request the reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1-3 as being anticipated by U.S. patent 5,308,692 (Kennedy et al). It is noted that Kennedy et al is only prior art as of its filing date of June 26, 1992. On the other hand, the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 from U.S. patent application 07/631,086 filed on December 19, 1990. Accordingly, Kennedy et al is not prior art with respect to the present application, and so this rejection is improper.

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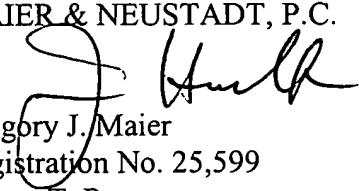
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